



School Quality Standards 2006-07

Status Report



Overview of School Quality Standards

16 V.S.A. §165 requires State Board of Education to:

- Adopt School Quality Standards (SQS)
- Develop process for assessing implementation



Purpose of School Quality Standards

The purpose “is to ensure that all students in Vermont public schools are afforded educational opportunities that are substantially equal.”



SQS Status Report

- Required to biennially complete SQS Status Report
- Schools receive link to report in March
- Due in May



Commissioner's Decision

- Commissioner must make decisions every two years
- Status Report is primary vehicle for making such decisions



Commissioner's Decision

- School's report will be reviewed in its entirety
- Commissioner might request additional information/clarification



Commissioner's Decision

Even if a school substantially meets SQS:

- Commissioner may require corrective actions
- School will submit plan addressing these actions
- DOE will periodically check in on progress with plan



DOE Use of Data

Data from ALL schools will be reviewed to:

- identify common challenges/concerns
- track progress in particular areas



SQS Status Report Feedback

Feedback from field about the 2006-07 SQS Status Report:

- Not receiving email with link to report
- Completing report in single sitting
- Problems submitting report (often the result of Question 12)
- Simplicity of yes/no format
- Time frame too short



SQS Status Report Feedback

- We have kept a record of all feedback from the field
- ***This summer will be devoted to reviewing the status report and SQS process and making necessary changes to the format and process***



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Questions?

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